

44. A seating-order determination method according to Claim 42, wherein the user-behavior detection information includes user-face-direction detection information.

45. A seating-order determination method according to Claim 40, further comprising a receiving step of receiving attention-degree information indicating the degree of attention which the user of each communication device pays to the information sent from each communication device,

wherein, in the seating-order-information generating step, the information sent from each communication device is grouped according to the attention-degree information received in the receiving step, and the seating-order information is generated according to the result of grouping.

46. A seating-order determination method according to Claim 45, wherein, in the seating-order-information generating step, the seating-order information is generated such that information belonging to the same group is arranged.

47. A seating-order determination method according to Claim 45, wherein, in the seating-order-information generating step, the seating-order information is generated such that information belonging to the same group is

dispersed almost uniformly.

48. A seating-order determination method according to Claim 45, wherein the grouping is performed according to the statistical relationship between a group structure and the degree of attention which the user of each communication device pays to the information sent from the other communication devices.

49. A communication method for a communication device in a communication system including at least three communication devices communicating with each other, comprising:

a receiving step of receiving information and seating-order information sent from other communication devices;

an attention-degree-information generating step of detecting the degree of attention which the user pays to the information sent from the other communication devices to generate attention-degree information;

a transmitting step of transmitting the attention-degree information generated in the attention-degree-information generating step;

a presenting step of presenting the information sent from the other communication devices; and

an information manipulation and distribution step of

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controlling the output positions of the information sent from the other communication devices according to the seating-order information received in the receiving step to output the information sent from the other communication devices in a seating order corresponding to the seating-order information.

50. A communication method according to Claim 49, wherein, when the seating order is changed according to the seating-order information, indication information indicating a change in the seating order is output to the user in the information manipulation and distribution step.

51. A communication method according to Claim 50, wherein the indication information is image information.

52. A communication method according to Claim 50, wherein the indication information is audio information.

53. A communication method according to Claim 50, wherein the indication information includes image information and audio information.

54. A communication method according to Claim 49, wherein indication information indicating the state of

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